

# The GARZETTE

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## From the President

June's the month for field day. I hope you come out and join our operations this year. There's plenty of information in this issue of the GARZETTE and on the web site. If you have questions, please give me a call.

You **will** have a good time. There will be plenty to eat, plenty of radios to operate and plenty of fun setting up all the equipment. Visitors are welcome, so be sure to tell your friends and family to come by and visit. I remember one year GARS had 3 stations set up in tents and it rained cats and dogs. Everyone ended up wet, and one of the rigs took a bath.

Hopefully this year, we won't have any bad weather, but we'll be there rain or shine. Last year was a first for GARS, we actually made satellite contacts with the A040 satellite. We even had Ron, WE5O communicating with CW through the "bird".

There's lots to do. So come out and see for yourself. Earl, AF4FG, has put together a committee of team captains for field day. To find out more about field day and how you can participate, the program for the June 8 meeting is FIELD DAY.

The Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society meets on the second Tuesday of every month. There are Saturday morning breakfasts, meals before the meeting, coffee after the meeting, events like parades, ham fests, 5k runs, dog shows, a Christmas party and field day. We are trying to keep you informed. And we hope to keep the Garzette on schedule.

Well, we've gone two months without a newsletter. Very few have complained. Is anyone reading the newsletter? Do you miss the stories and articles and upcoming events?

Summer is here, are you ready? Become radioactive, join in the GARS fun.

73, David, KA4KKF, President

## The GARZETTE

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## GARS MEETING MINUTES May 13th 2004

19:30 Meeting opened.

David KA4KKF president opened the meeting then introductions by all present.

Dan KF4YSU treasurers report.

Ken KI4BQS secretary minutes from last meeting deferred to next meeting.

David KA4KKF mentioned the Paul K4BET has not received a lot of information for April's Garzette.

Earl AF4FG – vice president and field day chairman, there is a need for additional band captains and someone to coordinate the food. Ron WE50 portable toilets have been ordered. Ron volunteered to be 40 meter CW band captain. Andy KB7UV agreed to work with the assigned person to advertise our field day event.

David KG4ZKN Membership chairman: Welcome new GARS member Tom Power W8RED.

David KA4KKF coming events in the area:

May 31st Dacula Memorial Day Parade we have 11 people so far we need a few more volunteers.

June 5th, Atlanta Hamfest. [www.w4doc.org](http://www.w4doc.org)

June 8th the commissioners meet and June 27th at 14:00 we will receive a proclamation for Amateur Radio Appreciation Week. This year it will include emergency management as well.

We are still looking for a newsletter editor for the Garzette.

Mike K4HBI: June 8th through the 10th is the G8 conference on Sea Island. MARS monitor the rally frequencies. Amateurs can monitor on 3.975. Special event call sign W8G.

Susan AF4FO: Please write to President Bush ask him to reconsider his position on BPL.

Closed ballot was held to decide between application 1 and application 2 for the GARS scholarship. Both applications were read to the membership.

Brief break prior to John WB4QDX activities chairman introduced Eddie our repeater chairman. Next month the program will be on field day.

Eddie had an excellent presentation the GARS repeater systems and answered questions on our configurations, age of equipment and repeaters in general.

**Garzette sponsors are listed on page 11.**

**Thanks for supporting our sponsors.**

## Executive Committee Meeting

All interested individuals are invited and encouraged to attend the monthly Executive Committee Meeting. Presently, these gatherings occur one hour in advance of the regular Club Meeting. The location is in a classroom immediately near the Club meeting space.

Several years ago these Ex. Comm. meetings were instituted for the purpose of saving more time in our Club meetings for "radio talk" verses the business of the Club. To that end, they have been successful. However, some members enjoy ALL aspects of the Club, and as such, are encouraged to come, participate, share insights and opinions! We will all be benefited by the sharing of ideas & experience.

For the latest Club news, visit the GARS Website at:

[www.gars.org](http://www.gars.org)

## Club Recurring Calendar

- GARS Monthly club meeting is the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM. We meet at the First United Methodist Church in Lawrenceville.
- GARS Monthly exec meeting is the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM. We meet at the First United Methodist Church in Lawrenceville. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.
- Every Monday at 8 PM local time: GARS Want, Swap, Sell, and Information Net on the GARS 2 meter repeater
- Every Wednesday at 9 PM local time: GARS 6 meter net on the GARS 6 meter repeater
- Every Saturday at 8AM local time: GARS Weekly Family Breakfast, Golden Corral Restaurant, Riverside Drive, Lawrenceville

## GARS Elmers

Many of us Hams got interested in the hobby (service) as a result of some influence an experienced Ham had on us. The GARS organization is blessed with a lot of talented members that are willing to share their knowledge. The following list is made up of those individuals willing to serve as Elmers. Hopefully, this list will grow, and in time, maybe we'll get more who are willing to add a particular area of expertise.

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K4HBI Mike Swiderski (770) 449-0369

W8KJM, Barney Barnes (APRS)

## CLUB OFFICERS

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## Member Spotlight

*Editors Note - At the November GARS Club meeting, it was proposed that a couple of our members would be selected each month and asked to write a small feature spot for the Garzette. The writers could introduce themselves to the Club or select any topic germane to our Amateur Radio interests. This is strictly voluntary; no pressure will be applied! Just have fun with it. This article was written for Rich before he left. Comes in handy now... Norm*

**Norman Schklar, WA4ZXV**, first licensed in 1966 as WN4ZXV. I took the code test for my Novice license with a flashlight while attending Army Signal Officers Candidate School at Fort Gordon, GA. While waiting for orders to Germany, my wife, Susie, and I lived in a mobile home park at Hephzibah, GA. I found an Eico720 transmitter and a Hammarlund receiver. I knew a little about antennas because I had a CB radio and an SWR meter when I was in high school, so I stuck a piece of wire out the window, tuned the transmitter just like the book said, and off I was in the world of amateur radio.

After a few months I was shipped to Germany where I was licensed as DL4JC. I soon took the General Class test from a 31Bravo HF Station operator. While in Germany, the Army was giving SP600's to MARS operators, so I signed up and had this big receiver in our guest bedroom in Darmstadt, Germany. After a few weeks, I found that I could get a Hallicrafters BC610 transmitter and AM modulator from MARS, and I could also get an extra weight allowance for the freight to send it state-side when I left Darmstadt. So here was the boat anchor in my guest room, now radio shack. One of the men at the MARS station knew how to set it up, and for the first time ever, the Army allowed a long wire to be strung up across the back yard. My first contact with the BC610 in CW mode (I couldn't get the modulator to work) was with a station in Vancouver Island, BC. It wasn't long until Lieutenant Schklar had to have a little more power than what was showing up on the meter. I was told that removing capacitor XYZ would increase the output 10%. So I went to remove the capacitor. This thing was about the size of a shoe box. Well, if you take the connections lose before discharging the capacitor you might get shocked so bad that it causes your legs to straighten like a frogs, and throw you against the closet door. I was lucky to hit the hollow door instead of the wall. If I had hit the wall, I think I would still be in Germany.

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## Upcoming Youth Related Events

By Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM  
Contributing Editor to the ARRL

**People** are always saying that youth are the future of Amateur Radio, and that phrase could not be truer. In the month of June, there are two major Amateur Radio events that have the potential to interest more youth in Amateur Radio, but their success depends on YOU!

One event, ARRL Kid's Day, which will be on June 19, was designed specifically for youth. Basically, Kid's Day is a chance for hams to show-off their Amateur Radio station to kids and let them work other kids. You can even download a colorful certificate for anyone who participates!

Operations go from 18:00 to 24:00 Zulu, which is 2:00 to 8:00 PM local. The suggested exchange is name, age, location, and favorite color; suggested frequencies are 28350 to 28400 kHz, 21380 to 21400, 14270 to 14300 kHz and 2-meter repeater frequencies with permission from your area repeater sponsor. For more information, see <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/kd-rules.html>.

Be sure to invite to your shack a group of kids from your neighborhood, church, child's school, child's scout troop, or anywhere else that you can find some. Then, let them operate your station and talk to other kids. If nothing else, at least pass the mic to your own kids, and maybe you will create another young ham.

The second event, ARRL Field Day, held this year on June 26 and 27, is a bit more well-known and although not geared towards youth, it is sometimes very effective in sparking an interest of Amateur Radio in youngsters. It was certainly the "final straw" that made me want earn my license.

I will never forget my first Field Day, which will have been four years ago this year. I was not a ham yet, and my dad (Scott Hartlage, KF4PWI) explained the concept of Field Day to me, and to be quite honest, I was sort of dreading it.

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## Technician Class starts June 16th

Pass the word. Make sure your friends and family know about this chance to become an **Amateur Radio Operator**.

Classes begin: **Wed June 16th**

There is no age limit and no Morse code is required. The classes will be held from 7 p.m. -- 9 p.m at the Gwinnett Central High School in Lawrenceville. To register: call the GCHS at 770-338-4877, from 3-9 pm. All classes are held each Wednesday evening for 7 weeks. The cost (which goes to the school) is \$25. We use the textbook: *Now you're Talkin', 5th edition*, © 2000 published by The American Radio Relay League, Inc. (ISBN: 0-87259-797-0) #7970 \$19. The book is available at Ham Radio Outlet, Doraville, or from the ARRL.

For more information on the class:

E-Mail Winslow at [nltwx@arrl.net](mailto:nltwx@arrl.net) or call anytime, Winslow Jackson at 404-869-9179.

## www.GARS.org

We've been making changes on the web site. There is now a GARZETTE archive, and an activity archive. We'll try to keep this up to date. Sometimes it's fun to look back at previous activities. If you participate in a HAM related activity, send me the information, and I'll try to get it on the web and in the archives. If you have digital photos, send them along and I'll try to use them. We would like to update the members links, so if you have HAM related information on your web site, send me the URL and title you would like, and I'll add it to the web site. I would also like to start a section with links to pages with information on operating, building or other supporting information. You are encouraged to submit the URL for web sites you find useful. Send the information to Norm, [WA4ZXV@schklar.com](mailto:WA4ZXV@schklar.com)

—Member continued from page 4 WA4ZXV

It was soon time to leave for Vietnam. All my gear went to my parent's basement in Murfreesboro, TN, my XYL went to stay with her mother in Nashville, and off I went to fight the enemy. My assignment in Vietnam was to supply communications for the Corps Commander. I also picked up Officer in Charge of the MARS station at a post called Plantation which was near Long Bin.

After Vietnam, I returned to Murfreesboro where I was active in RACES and several VHF projects. I built several pieces of Heath Kit equipment and operated on a regular basis on HF and VHF voice. After a while, I decided I should have some "store bought" equipment and invested in the Drake "C" Twins. Soon after purchasing the Drake gear I quit operating HF.

In the mid 90's I moved to Atlanta. Jim Bruce, K1FF discovered that I was a HAM without any equipment, and loaned me an HF rig and helped install a dipole. Not much later, Johnny Fearon, W4WKP, found my name in an ARRL announcement. He called and invited me to join GARS, and the rest is history.

Equipment now is a FT847, IC756Pro2, RockMite-40 QRP rig, 2 dipoles, and 40 ft of tower with damaged beams from a downed tree. For the past year or so I have operated almost exclusively CW. While setting up for Straight Key Night this past New Years, I discovered that the only straight I had was part of an old code practice oscillator. I have since fixed this problem by adding a J-38. I enjoy some light public service work, field day, good food, and working with GARS to build the best radio group in GA.

I am very proud to have the honor of my friends naming me **GARS 2003 "Ham of the Year"**

**BC610 Photo** <http://www.kong.net/radio/bc610.html>

**Eico 720 Photo** <http://eshop1.chem.buffalo.edu/images/EICO/eico720.jpg>

**Drake R4c T4Xc Photo** <http://www.k9wk.com/classic.html>

### IMPORTANT REMINDER

**GARS June Meeting** will be held at the J&A Building in Lawrenceville.

Take I-85 North to Hwy. 316 (splits to the right). Exit Hwy. 316 at Hwy. 120 (Duluth-Lawrenceville exit) and go right approximately 1.5 miles. Turn right at the 6th light (Langley Drive). Go approximately .5 miles and the complex will be on your right.

**QST \*\*\*\*\*** Contact a Club officer if you have a suggestion for an upcoming Club meeting speaker or topic. **\*\*\*\***

## GARS Apparel

Several items of clothing that feature our Club logo and/or your call sign are available to Club members. These items include polo shirts, sweat shirts, caps, jackets and other articles. Call sign badges can also be ordered. See Dan Keohan, KF4YSU, at the next Club meeting for a listing of items and their associated costs.



**There's always something going on sponsored by the ARRL...**

### Contest Schedule:

June **12-14** ARRL June VHF QSO Party

-**19** Kid's Day

-**26-27** ARRL Field Day

July **10-11** IARU HF World Championships

August **7-8** ARRL UHF Contest

-**21-22** ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest

September **11-12** ARRL September VHF QSO Party

-**18-19** ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest

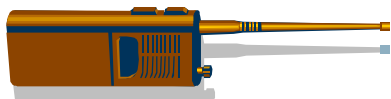
November **6-8** ARRL November Sweepstakes (CW)

-**20-22** ARRL November Sweepstakes (Phone)

December **3-5** ARRL 160 Meter Contest

-**11-12** ARRL 10 Meter Contest

More on these and other great operating events is available on the ARRL web site ([www.arrl.org](http://www.arrl.org)).



## June Club Meeting Program

Earl Whatley, AF4FG, will be our speaker. Field Day 2004 is the topic. Come learn what we do and how we do it. It's all about 24 hours of operating in a self sustaining environment. Temporary antennas, generators, tents, good food and lots of fun.

## New Club Members

**KG4RJB, Robert D. Harvey, Cumming**

**KI4ESL, Silvio Marrero, Duluth**

**K4JVR, Javier Vargas-Rosado, Winder**

**W8RED, TomPower, Snellville**

## You do make a difference!

GARS needs everyone to participate in club meetings and activities. But, we know family, business and other community activities take time. We have activities all year round. Some are just plain fun, some are community service, and some are in support of ham radio. We publish a newsletter almost every month, and continuously update the web site. So even if you can't be at most activities, take advantage of our member information tools, and try to make an occasional meeting. Try to put in a few hours at one of the activities that interests you. Subscribe to the GARS email list, look at the web site at least once a week. If you're having trouble keeping up with what's going on at GARS, give me a call, and we'll figure out a way to keep you informed.

## You do make a difference!

Norm, [wa4zxv@schklar.com](mailto:wa4zxv@schklar.com), 770-840-9664

### **FIELD DAY 2004 June 26 and 27**

*Location: Rhodes Jordan Park, Lawrenceville. Directions: Proceed east on Crogan Street (Hwy. 29) from the center of Lawrenceville. Turn left on Water Works Drive about one mile from the town center. Drive completely past the pond in the park, and turn right at the very back of the park. There is a driveway leading up a short hill into a pine forest. You will see two large group pavilions housing the Field Day site. There will be continuous talk-in on 147.075 MHz.*

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But, upon arrival at the GARS Field Day site, I was quite surprised to see a man on stilts, which I later learned was Victor Gann, now N4VG. Next, I spotted the Amateur Radio Scavenger Hunt and had a blast going around from person to person to see if they were a Novice, Technician, General, or Extra. At the Venture Crew 73 booth, I also received brochures on Amateur Radio including a sheet with the phonetic alphabet. Before I had finished the Scavenger Hunt, we had to go on to our next activity, and I was quite reluctant to leave.

Much to my satisfaction, my dad and I managed to sneak back to Field Day at about midnight, even though my mom thought we were crazy. (I think she's used to it now!) This time, I actually got to operate the radio; I made five contacts in two hours and had never been happier. Of course, we got there just in time for the midnight feast, so I enjoyed a delicious snack, too. Before I knew it, it was once again time to go, and before leaving, I had memorized the phonetic alphabet from A to Z. Had Ham Radio Outlet been open at 2:00 AM, I would have had a "Now You're Talking" book by the time I got home.

Needless to say, I began studying almost immediately, and less than a month later, on July 27, at eleven years old, I became KG4IUM.

This year's GARS Field Day will once again be held at Rhodes Jordan Park. See this edition of the *Garzette*, [www.gars.org](http://www.gars.org), and <http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/fd/> for more information on Field Day.

So, if you know of a youngster who has even the *slightest* interest in Amateur Radio, bring them to Field Day! Remember, I spent a total of only four, maybe five hours at Field Day that year and came out with a license. Even if you only have twenty minutes to spare, it's worth it. There is just something about staying up all night, talking around the world, and eating that appeals to youngsters!

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If for some reason you dare miss Kid's Day, you have a chance to redeem yourself at Field Day. Take advantage of the opportunity to generate another piglet, AKA young ham. After all, youth are the future of ham radio.

73, KG4IUM, Andrea Hartlage

GARS Member, Arrl.org Youth Contributing Editor,  
ARRL GA Assistant Section Manager/Youth

## GARS Net Talk

***The GARS Want, Sell, Swap, and Information Net*** makes up an important part of our club. As with any net, the weekly GARS net would not be possible without a dedicated and enthusiastic Net Manager.

A BIG Thank You is due to Susan Swiderski, AF4FO for her many years of devotion to the GARS Net. She not only compiled a net rotation to accommodate each person's busy schedule, but she was also on frequency every week to make sure the net was covered. Furthermore, she had her own spot in the rotation and served as the epitome of a good net control. She was always more than willing to share her knowledge and operating skills with new net controllers. Most importantly, she did it all with a smile.

Now, AF4FO is doing a superb job of being the ARRL Georgia Section Manager and is very busy with those duties. Although she has been trying to "pass the ball" of Net Manager to someone else for a while, she generously stuck with the job until a replacement was found. *That* is dedication!

Now, Scott Hartlage, KF4PWI has kindly offered to relieve Susan of the Net Manager responsibility. Although her footsteps will be exceptionally hard to follow, Scott will also do an excellent job.

So, it is bittersweet. Susan is stepping down as GARS Net Manager, after doing an amazing job, but Scott is stepping up to the plate, with some new ideas. A GIGANTIC Thank You to Susan Swiderski, AF4FO and a warm welcome to Scott Hartlage, KF4PWI.



**Club Meeting Site is moved for June  
J&A Building in Lawrenceville  
Talk-in on the GARS Club repeater - 147.075**



Each year we have a **Field Day Tee Shirt design contest** with entries submitted a meeting or two before FD. We ask interested members to draw a logo for our Field Day tee shirts. This year, **Andrea, KG4IUM**, was the winner of the design contest. Shirts are planned to be white with Red and Blue Lettering.



**Dacula Memorial Day Parade 2004**

This year's crew did an outstanding job with the parade. There was a heavy rain while we enjoyed breakfast at the Waffle House. It continued while arriving at the church parking lot. We didn't think it was going to clear up for the parade, but about 8:20 it quit. Just after the last vehicles left to start the parade route, it started a light rain. Job well done. Hope to see you guys next year.  
...David, KA4KKF, President and Parade Coordinator

Thanks to all that participated. Sorry for only inside pictures, but I didn't want to get the camera wet. Hi! Norm

Mike and Susan Swiderski	Brian Siegmund
Bill Cherepy	Win Jackson
Bill VanDuynhoven	Carl Plotz
Kevin and Joe Biddle	Larry and Georgia
Norm Schklar	Florea
Earl Whatley	Buddy Menshew
Brian Page	Andrea and Scott
David Adcock	Hartlage



***"The Radio Amateur is Considerate, Loyal, Progressive, Friendly, Balanced, and Patriotic"*** -- The Amateur's Creed, Paul M. Segal (9EEA)

**We'll see you at the next GARS Club meeting:  
8 June 2004**





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# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

☐ **NEW MEMBER**  
☐ **RENEWAL**

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General

☐ **Advanced**

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Date of Birth \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ (mm/dd/yy)

ARRL Member Yes No Life

Interests \_\_\_\_\_

I prefer to receive the GARZETTE newsletter by: US Mail Email (please check only one)

### Type of Membership

- ☐ Individual \$30.00 annually  
☐ Student \$15.00 annually  
☐ Senior \$15.00 annually (over age 65)  
☐ Family \*\* \$35.00 annually

\*\* Available for family members residing at the same address

### Optional Contributions

Repeater Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarship Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Additional Family Members \*\*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ (mm/dd/yy)

License Class Technician General Extra ARRL Member Yes No Life

Interests \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ (mm/dd/yy)

License Class Technician General Extra ARRL Member Yes No Life

Interests \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to abide by the By-Laws of the Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society and understand that membership is subject to the approval of the Club.

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

### **Metro Atlanta Club Meetings**

#### **First Tuesday Kennehoochee ARC**

First United Methodist Church in  
Marietta

Meeting begins at 7:30 PM  
Talk In 146.880(-)

#### **Second Monday Georgia Tech ARC**

Room W218  
Van Leer Electrical Engineering  
Bldg.

Georgia Tech Campus  
Meeting at 7:00 PM

**First Thursday  
Atlanta Radio Club**  
Georgia Red Cross HQ  
1955 Monroe Dr., Atlanta  
Meeting is at 7:30 PM  
Talk In -146.820(-)

#### **N.E. Georgia ARC**

209 Athens St.  
Jefferson  
Meeting is at 7:00 PM  
Talk In - 147.225(+)  
PL 123.0

#### **North Fulton Amateur Radio League**

Southern Skillet  
1037 Alpharetta St., Roswell  
Dinner at 6:30 PM, meeting at 7:30  
PM  
Talk In - 145.47(-)

**Second Thursday  
Alford Memorial Radio Club**  
Annistown Road Baptist Church  
Intersection of Annistown Rd &  
Spain Rd  
Stone Mountain  
Dinner at 6:00 PM  
Meeting at 7:30 PM  
Talk In - 146.760(-)

**First Saturday  
North GA QRP Club**  
Wieuca Baptist Church on  
Peachtree Rd/Wieuca, 10 AM

### **Metro Atlanta VE Exam Schedule**

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#### **First Sunday, Even Months**

WCARS VEC  
2:00 PM  
Johnson High School 3305 Poplar  
Springs RD, Gainesville Terry Jones,  
W4TL (770)967-6364

#### **First Saturday, Even Months**

9:00AM  
EOC Building  
Butch Nitz, AF4FS (770) 968-8780

#### **Second Tuesday**

7:00PM  
Walton EMC  
3645 Lenora Church Rd, Snellville  
Wayne Taylor, WD4CCA  
(770)498-7759

#### **Second Saturday, Odd Months**

ARRL VEC  
8:30 AM  
Stone Mountain Methodist Church  
5312 West Mountain St.  
Stone Mountain  
Bob Varone, W4ETN  
(770)978-3179

#### **Third Saturday**

### **GARS Communication System**

#### **6 Meter Repeater**

53.110 (-1 MHz)  
82.5 PL Tone

#### **2 Meter Repeater**

147.075(+) MHz  
82.5 PL Tone

#### **70 Cm Repeater**

444.525(+) MHz  
82.5 PL Tone

#### **APRS**

144.390 -- 1200 Baud  
W4GR/Relay

#### **CA VEC**

9:00AM  
Marietta First United Methodist  
Church Room 305, 56 Whitlock Ave  
Marietta  
David Still, WB4RRD  
(770) 973-2566

#### **Fourth Tuesday**

ARRL VEC  
7:00 PM  
United Way Service Center  
6279 Fairburn Road, Douglasville

#### **Third Sunday**

W5YI VEC  
3:00 – 5:00 PM  
St. John Neumann Church  
801 Tom Smith Road Lilburn  
Headphones Provided! Howie Gould,  
W9HG (770)921-8362

#### **Fourth Sunday**

2:30 PM  
Georgia Tech Student Center  
Room 301  
David Ziskind, KE4QLH  
(404) 966-6864

#### **Main Repeater Site**

Oak Street, Lawrenceville

#### **Backup Repeater Site**

Lanier Mountain, Snellville

#### **Remote Receive Sites**

Bogan Road, Buford  
Goshen Springs Road, Norcross  
Lanier Mountain, Snellville



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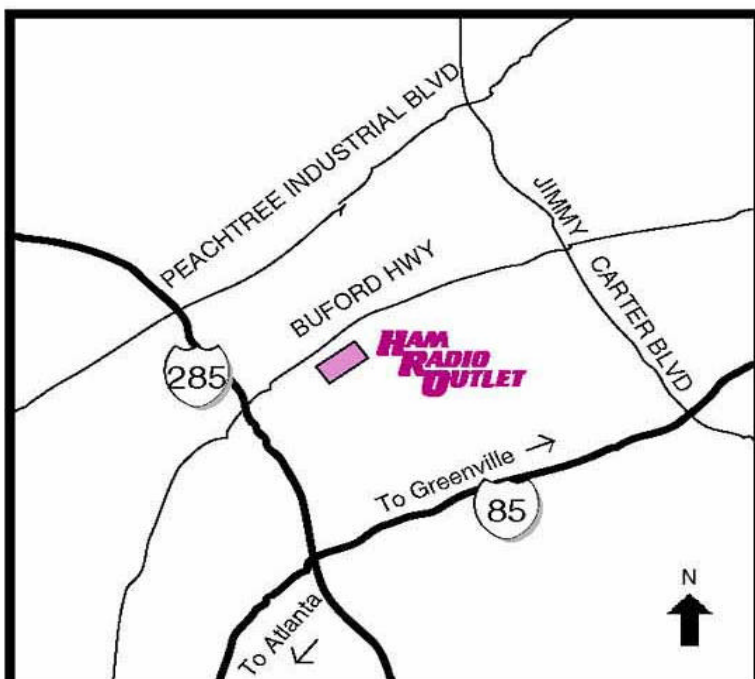
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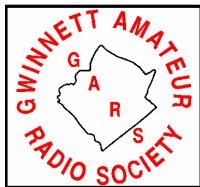
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June 5, 2004

### **The Buford 5K Road Race**

GARS will participate in this year's Buford 5K Road Race. We have been supporting this project for several years. The date is June 5 the race starts 8am and is completed by 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

Atlanta Ham Fest

June 8, 2004

### **GARS Meeting**

For this meeting only, we will meet at the J&A Building in Lawrenceville.

Earl AF4FG, our Vice President, will do some orientation and organizing for this years Field Day.

June 26-27, 2004

### **Field Day**

Field Day is an annual event sponsored by the American Radio Relay League to test and demonstrate the emergency preparedness of amateur radio operators and amateur radio groups all across the United States and Canada. The test takes the form of a 24 hour contest and is held during the last full weekend of June each year.